Table 3. Average 24-hour sodium or potassium excretion by study and completion status based on *para*-amino benzoic acid (PABA) recovery criteria.

Study	Group	24-Hour Urine Sodium Excretion, mmol/d ^a							
		Nb	Mean ^c	Complete ^d		Incomplete		Analyte	Pf
				N	Mean	N	Mean	recovery ^e	
Fu ^{18,G}	Total	681	151 ± 67	438	158 ± 71	243	138 ± 60	20	0.0002
Murakami et al ^{20,G}	Total	654	147 ± 56	604	149 ± 56	50	118 ± 49	30.5	<0.001
Bingham et al ²⁵	Total	63	125 ± 51	45	134 ± 51	18	103 ± 51	31	0.033
Leclercq et al ²¹	Total	257	136 ± 56	135	137 ± 60	122	134 ± 52	3.1	0.658
Williams and Bingham ¹⁹	Men	75	167 ± 49	63	174 ± 52	12	131 ± 31	42.8	0.078
	Women	51	127 ± 39	42	125 ± 38	9	140 ± 43	-15.0	0.302
Study		24-Hour Urine Potassium Excretion, mmol/d							
	Group			Complete ^d		Incomplete		Analyte	P ^f
		N ^b	Mean ^c	ean ^c N Me	Mean	N	Mean	recovery ^e	
Subar et al ²⁴	Men	505	85	394	87	NR	NR	NA	NA
	Women	436	68	324	67	NR	NR	NA	NA
Murakami et al ^{20,G}	Total	654	45 ± 16	604	46 ± 16	50	35 ± 16	10.7	<0.001
Bingham et al ²⁵	Total	63	61 ± 18	45	63 ± 19	18	56 ± 13	7	0.157
Williams and Bingham ¹⁹	Men	75	74 ± 23	63	75 ± 24	12	66 ± 15	8.9	0.215
	Women	51	59 ± 17	42	60 ± 16	9	54 ± 21	5.5	0.372

Abbreviations: N, number of 24-hour urine collections; NA, not applicable; NR, not reported

^aSodium conversions were derived from Institute of Medicine. Dietary reference intakes for water, potassium, sodium chloride, and sulfate. Washington, DC: National Academies Press; 2004. Studies with sodium reported in mmol were converted to mg of sodium by multiplying the number of mmol of sodium by 23.

bTotal number of collections was calculated by combining complete and incomplete collections. CMean analyte excretions were calculated assuming independent populations derived from Arsham. H. Pooling Means and Variances. 2014. < http://home.ubalt.edu/ntsbarsh/Business-stat/otherapplets/Pooled.htm>. The following formula was used where xbar(i) is the mean of the sample I, n is the sample size i. Pooled Mean=[$\sum n(i)xbar(i)]/[\sum n(i)]$. The pooled standard deviation was calculated using: SQRT[($\sum n(i)-1*(s(i))^2$)/ $\sum n(i)$].

^dCompletion was defined by PABA recovery >85% recovery using either using colorimetry or HPLC in all studies with the exception of Subar and colleagues. Subar defined completion based on having colorimetry results >70% or HPLC results >78%.

^eDifference in analyte recoveries was calculated by subtracting the mean recovery of the analyte for complete urine collections by mean recovery for incomplete urine collections based on PABA recovery criteria

^fStudents unpaired *t*-test, assuming equal variances, was used to assess if difference in means by complete versus incomplete urine collections were significant, assessed at 0.05

^gFu¹⁸ and Murakami et al²⁰ reported analyte excretions in mg/d. For comparison purposes, both sodium and potassium values were converted to mmol/d from results reported in the study. Sodium values were divided by 23 g/mol, while potassium was divided by the molar mass 39.1 g/mol.^{14,16}